CONCERNS FROM A BRIEF SEARCH OF GRANTSVILLE CITY EXPENDITURES

As I have researched the overpayment of the mayor's salary, I located some of the financial filings of recent city expenditures, (publicly available on transparent.utah.gov). I have some questions. . .

This is a very small, very brief sampling:

05/12/17 Vehicle accident repair, \$9,883.88. Which city vehicle was repaired? Who caused it and what was the damage? Why wouldn't city insurance cover this repair?

Aug 2016-Mar 2017 Legal Fees from Kirton & McConkie, \$14,537.09. Why is the City paying legal fees to an outside law firm when a full-time City Attorney is being paid a salary of at least \$128,000 annually?

05/08/17 Questar Gas invoice to "Snack Shack", \$72.83. Why is the City paying this?

04/25/17 2 Rocker Panels, \$1,358.92. Rocker panels are intended to weld onto a vehicle to replace the rusted-out body area under the doors. Please explain which City vehicle was in a state of corrosion requiring such extensive body work?

APR2017 State Fines, \$3,706.03. Please explain.

05/12/17 Monument Repair, \$1,655.00 Please explain. Damage from City negligence? Why wouldn't city insurance cover this repair?

05/10/17 Legal Fees from Gary K. Searle, \$1,575.00. Why is the City paying legal fees to an outside law firm when a full-time City Attorney is being paid a salary of at least \$128,000 annually?

Aug 2016-Mar 2017 Funds spent on Employee Appreciation, at least \$5,001.45.

I am hopeful city administration will be open and forthcoming in clarifying these questions. Please respond to these concerns by email to me as well as through publishing an open written letter for review by all Grantsville City taxpayers.

Respectfully submitted by a concerned taxpayer, Eric P. Johnsen eric.peter.johnsen@gmail.com

P.S. It's time for Grantsville City to implement "Taxpayer Appreciation" every day!